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## VIA EFILING AND HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Charles Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina P.O. Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

IN RE:

Application of Vertex Communications, Incorporated for Approval to Transfer Their

Customer Base to dPi Teleconnect, LLC

**Docket No. 2007-297-C** 

Dear Mr. Terreni:

On August 14, 2007, Vertex Communications (Vertex) applied for approval of the transfer of its customer base to dPi Teleconnect, LLC (dPi). The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) has reviewed Vertex's application and has no objection to the transfer of its customer base to dPi Teleconnect, LLC (dPi) subject to the following conditions.

ORS respectfully requests the Public Service Commission (Commission) require dPi to assume any financial obligations of Vertex to the intrastate Universal Service Fund. Additionally, because it is unclear from the application whether Vertex will continue operations within South Carolina, ORS requests the Commission require Vertex to file notice of its intent to either continue or cease operations in the state within thirty days of the date of the order, with the understanding that the failure to do so will result in the revocation of the certificate.

Please accept the original of this letter for filing and return the copy enclosed to me in the envelope provided. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If further information is needed, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

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